



September 12, 2014

Michigan Department of Community Health, 201 Townsend Street, Lansing, MI 48933

2014-15 MDCH FLU WEBINAR - SLIDES, Q&A, & SURVEY The slides from the 2014-15 Pediatric and Adult Influenza Kickoff Webinar have been removed. The Q&A document from the webinar chat has been moved to our <u>current</u> season materials webpage.

Due to the holiday weekend following the webinar, MSU-E is accepting completion of the post-survey for CE credit through this weekend. If you have not yet completed the post-survey that was emailed to all registrants, you now have until **September 14** to complete it.

UPDATE ON MDCH 2014-15 COLLEGE FLU CHALLENGE

MDCH officially launched the 2014-15 College and University Flu Vaccination Challenge on September 4 via press release and social media! Check out the challenge materials on the website! Also we are now up to 14 enrolled schools. Welcome to the challenge, Calvin College!

INFLUENZA-RELATED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Estimates of the reproduction number for seasonal, pandemic, and zoonotic influenza: a systematic review of the literature
 - Reproduction number (R), is avg. # of secondary cases generated per typical infectious case

INFLUENZA VIRUS	MEDIAN R VALUE
1918 pandemic	1.80
1957 pandemic	1.65
1968 pandemic	1.80
2009 pandemic	1.46
Seasonal influenza	1.28

- Influenza vaccination of pregnant women and protection of their infants
 - Flu vaccine found immunogenic in HIV-uninfected and HIV-infected pregnant women
- Human infection with highly pathogenic H7N7 avian flu, Italy, 2013
- Novel H7N2 virus in chickens, China 2014
- Respiratory transmission of an avian H3N8 influenza virus isolated from a harbor seal
 - O St. Jude press release

FluBytes is distributed to MDCH flu partners for informational and communication purposes. Please feel free to distribute widely. Archived editions of FluBytes are available here and MI FluFocus archives are here.

CDC NOTES FROM THE FIELD: EXPIRED LAIV, 2007-2014 CDC published a report in last week's MMWR, Notes from the Field: Reports of Expired Live Attenuated Influenza Vaccine Being Administered - U.S., 2007-2014. CDC analyzed reports to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) and found of 4,699 LAIV reports, 18.4% involved administration of expired vaccine. This is much higher than 0.02% of IIV reports involving expired vaccine.

MDCH FALL REGIONAL IMMUNIZATION CONFERENCES

Registration for fall conference is now <u>open!</u> Make sure you register soon as some locations reach capacity fast.

-Oct. 7: Marquette -Oct. 9: Gaylord -Oct. 21: Flint -Oct. 23: Dearborn -Oct. 24: Troy -Nov. 18: Grand Rapids -Nov. 19: Kalamazoo -Nov. 21: East Lansing

UPCOMING WEBINAR: PEDIATRIC FLU IN HEALTHCARE SETTINGS

CDC's Clinical Outreach and Communication Activity (COCA) is hosting a webinar on September 18 from 2-3 PM titled, "Management and Prevention of Pediatric Influenza in Healthcare Settings." There will be continuing education available for this webinar. If you'd like more information, including how to access the webinar, visit: http://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/calls/2014/callinfo_091814.asp.

OTHER INFLUENZA-RELATED NEWS

- <u>CDC Seasonal Flu Doses Distributed</u>: ~40.8 million doses distributed in U.S. (week of September 5, 2014)
- New Hampshire lab finds first influenza positive test result
- South Australian public hospitals struggling to cope
- More outbreaks of new H5N6 avian flu in Vietnam
- Office of Inspector General: <u>DHS ill-prepared for pandemic response</u>
- Intestinal bacteria needed for strong flu vaccine responses in mice
- New single-dose influenza drug appears to be safe and effective

FLU WEBSITES

www.michigan.gov/flu www.cdc.gov/flu www.flu.gov http://vaccine.healthmap.org/